ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

(ER–FRL–6243–4)

Environmental Impact Statements and Regulations; Availability of EPA Comments

Availability of EPA comments prepared May 10, 1999 through May 14, 1999 pursuant to the Environmental Review Process (ERP), under Section 309 of the Clean Air Act and Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act as amended. Requests for copies of EPA comments can be directed to the Office of Federal Activities at (202) 564–7167. An explanation of the ratings assigned to draft environmental impact statements (EISs) was published in FR dated April 9, 1999 (64 FR 17362).

Draft EISs

ERP No. D–FHW–E50292–FL Rating EC1, St. Augustine Bridge of Lions (SR AIA Rehabilitating or Replacing the Existing Two Lane Bridge, Crossing of the Matanzas River/Intracoastal Waterway, US Coast Guard Permit, NPDES and COE Nationwide Permits, St. Augustine, St. John County, FL.

Summary: EPA's review found that impacts were adequately described. Concern was raised over water quality degradation during the construction phase of the project.

ERP No. D–FHW–F40382–MN Rating EC2, Ayd Mill Road Corridor, Improvements from I–35 E to St. Anthony Avenue (I–94) 2.6 kilometer (1.6 miles), Funding, Ramsey County, City of Saint Paul, MN.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns regarding (1) purpose and need statement, (2) contaminated sites remediation, and (3) treatment of storm water runoff. EPA requested that additional information be provided in the final document to address these concerns.

ERP No. D–FHW–K40235–CA Rating EC2, California Forest Highway 137, Improvements to Wentworth Springs Road and the Stumpy Meadows Reservoir Dam eastward (14.4 miles) to Ice House Road, Eldorado National Forest, El Dorado County, CA.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns because the document did not reflect the consideration of pollution prevention measures. EPA recommended that the FEIS include such pollution prevention measures for the project's design, construction and maintenance, and that these measures be included in the record of decision.

Final EISs

ERP No. F–DOE–A09829–00 Spallation Neutron Source (SNS) Facility Construction and Operation, Implementation and Site Selection, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, TN; Argonne National Laboratory, Argonne, IL; Brookhaven National Laboratory, Upton, NY; and Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, NM.

Summary: EPA's previous concerns have been resolved therefore EPA does not object to proceeding with detailed design work and site evaluation for this project. Should these studies produce significant new information or adverse environmental impacts, EPA will review DOE's supplemental EIS.

ERP No. F–FHW–K40227–CA I–880 Interchange at Dixon Landing Road Reconstruction Improvements, Funding and COE Section 404 Permit, Fremont, Milpitas, Alameda and Santa Clara Counties, CA.

Summary: EPA expressed continuing concerns with potential impacts to nearly 17 acres of wetlands and salt marsh harvest mouse habitat. EPA asked that FHWA's Record of Decision discuss whether opportunities may still exist to avoid and reduce adverse impacts to wetlands as project development proceeds, in keeping with Clean Water Act Section 404 requirements.

EPA recommended that several issues regarding mitigation for wetland impacts be included in the Record of Decision, including a 2:1 mitigation ratio for wetlands loss rather than the 1:1 ratio proposed in the EIS.

ERP No. F–FHW–L40197–OR Mount Hood Corridor Study, US 26 Rhododendron to OR–35 Junction, Improvements, Funding, Clackamas County, OR.

Summary: Review of the Final EIS was not deemed necessary. No formal comment letter was sent to the preparing agency.

ERP No. F–USA–F11034–IN Camp Atterbury Training Areas and Facilities Upgrading, Implementation, Bartholomew, Brown, Johnson, Marion and Shelby Counties, IN.

Summary: EPA has no objection to the proposed action but did encourage ongoing management of resources in the Integrated Natural Resource Management Plan (INRMP) and other resource management plans for Camp Atterbury.

Other

ERP No. LF–UAF–K11095–AZ Barry M. Goldwater Ranger (BMGR), Renewal of the Military Land Withdrawal, Yuma, Pima and Maricopa Counties, AZ.

Summary: EPA continues to object to the length of the withdrawal time period. EPA recommended a new 10 year alternative be provided.

ERP No. LF–UAF–K11096–NV Nellis Air Force Range (NAFR), Renewal of the Land Withdrawal to Provide a Safe and Secure Location to Test Equipment and Train Military Personnel, Clark, Lincoln and Nye Counties, NV.

Summary: EPA continues to object to the excessively long proposed periods between public reviews of the land withdrawal (i.e. indefinitely or 25 years) of the roughly 3 million acre area. EPA recommended a new 10 year alternative be provided.

Dated: June 1, 1999.

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Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL–6354–2]

Transport One Acid Spill Superfund Site, Mt. Vernon, Rockcastle County, KY, Notice of Proposed Settlement

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of proposed settlement.

SUMMARY: Under section 122(h)(1) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has proposed to settle claims for response costs at the Transport One Acid Spill Superfund Site (the ''Site'') located in Mt. Vernon, Rockcastle County, Kentucky with Chemtech Products, Inc. EPA will consider public comments on the proposed settlement for thirty days. EPA may withdraw from or modify the proposed settlement should such comments disclose facts or considerations which indicate the proposed settlement is inappropriate, improper, or inadequate. Copies of the proposed settlement are available from: Ms. Paula V. Batchelor, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, Program Services Branch, Waste Management Division, 61 Forsyth Street, SW., Atlanta, Georgia 30303, (404) 562–8887.

Written comments may be submitted to Ms. Batchelor at the above address within 30 days of the date of publication.

Dated: May 6, 1999.

Franklin E. Hill,

Chief, Program Services Branch, Waste Management Division.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Notice of Public Information Collection(s) Being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission

May 26, 1999.

SUMMARY: The Federal Communications Commission, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burden invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection(s), as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104–13. An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) that does not display a valid control number. Comments are requested concerning (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted on or before August 6, 1999. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the contact listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Direct all comments to Judy Boley, Federal Communications Commission, Room 1-C804, 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20554 or via the Internet to jboley@fcc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information or copies of the information collection(s), contact Judy Boley at 202–418–0214 or via the Internet at jboley@fcc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control No.: 3060–0515.

Title: Section 43.21(c), Miscellaneous Common Carrier Annual Letter Filing Requirement.

Form No.: N/A.

Type of Review: Reinstatement without change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 32.

Estimated Time Per Response: 1 hour.

Frequency of Response: Annual reporting requirement.

Total Annual Burden: 32 hours.

Total Annual Cost: N/A.

Needs and Uses: Pursuant to 47 CFR 43.21(c), each miscellaneous common carrier with operating revenues in excess of the indexed threshold as defined in 47 CFR 32.9000 must file a letter showing its operating revenues for that year and the value of its total communications plant at the end of that year. The letter must contain information pertaining to the carrier's revenues, expenses, net income, assets, liabilities and owners' equity. These letters must be filed by no later than April of the following year. Those miscellaneous common carriers with annual operating revenues that equal or surpass the indexed revenue threshold for the first time may file the letter up to one month after publication of the adjusted revenue threshold in the **Federal Register**, but in no event shall such carriers be required to file the letter prior to April 1.

The information is used by FCC staff members to regulate and monitor the telephone industry and by the public to analyze the industry. The information on revenue and total plant is compiled and published in the Commission's annual common carrier statistical publication and long distance market share report.

OMB Control No.: 3060–0636.

Title: Amendment of Parts 2 and 15, Equipment Authorization, Declaration of Compliance.

Form No.: N/A.

Type of Review: Reinstatement without change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 4,000.

Estimated Time Per Response: 19 hours.

Frequency of Response: On occasion reporting requirement.

Total Annual Burden: 76,000 hours.

Total Annual Cost: N/A.

Needs and Uses: Data collection will be used to investigate complaints of harmful interference to radio communications and to verify manufacturer's or supplier's compliance with the rules. The information collected is essential to controlling potential interference to radio communications.

OMB Control No.: 3060–0655.

Title: Requests for Waiver of Regulatory Fees Predicated on Allegations of Financial Hardship (MD Docket No. 94–19).

Form No.: N/A.

Type of Review: Reinstatement without change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

Respondents: Individuals or households, businesses or other-for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 40.

Estimated Time Per Response: 1 hour.

Frequency of Response: On occasion reporting requirement, recordkeeping requirement.

Total Annual Burden: 40 hours.

Total Annual Cost: N/A.

Needs and Uses: The FCC implemented provisions contained in section 6003(a) of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993, Pub. L. 103–66 and 103–121, which adds section 9 to the Communications Act. Section 9 authorizes the FCC to assess and collect annual regulatory fees to recover costs incurred in carrying out its enforcement, policy and rulemaking activities and its user information services. Licensees and permittees may request a waiver of those fees. A number of requests for waiver are based on grounds of financial hardship but lack sufficient documentation to support a finding that a waiver should be granted. As a result, the FCC in ruling on Petitions for Reconsideration in the FY 1994 fee proceeding, the FCC set forth the types of documentation it will rely on to determine if waivers should be granted because of financial hardship, in order to give guidance to parties requesting waivers. Where parties have filed insufficient information with their FY 194 waiver requests, the FCC will afford them an opportunity to perfect their waiver requests by making the showing. The information will be used by FCC staff to determine if a party is entitled to a waiver of its obligation to pay the annual regulatory fee. It will be filed annually, but only by those parties who request waivers of their obligations to pay the fee because of financial hardship.